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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Applicant: Denis MARTIN et al.****Title: STRETOCOCCUS PYOGENS POLYPEPTIDES AND CORRESPONDING DNA FRAGMENTS****Appl. No. 10/078,531****Filing Date: February 21, 2002****Examiner:****Art Unit:****AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR §§1821-825**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply With Requirements for Applications Containing Sequence Disclosures mailed April 11, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as shown:

Please delete the paragraph on page 3, lines 6-9, and replace it with the following paragraph:

A1 Figure 1 represents the DNA sequence (SEQ ID NO: 1) of BVH-P7 gene from serotype M1 S. pyogenes strain ATCC700294; SEQ ID NO: 1. The